Subject: Chat with Karen Lancaster
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Karen: I love you. Are you mad at me?
me: No, I think it's partly my fault that you're this way
Karen: Yes, probably both our faults. I'm sorry and I love you so much. I just want the best for you and am still a helicopter mom, trying to hover and make sure you don't screw up (from MY perspective.)
me: I know, and I know that my past behavior has made it such that you have difficulty trusting my judgement now, so it's very hard for me to convince you that I really am trying harder
Karen: I KNOW you are and I just need to trust you. I am so proud of all you've accomplished and want you to be successful, self-supporting -- and HAPPY.
Karen: Love you, MSTG. Off to my shift at the soup kitchen now.